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# Crop Progress & Condition Report



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Week ending July 18, 2010

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, July 18, 2010**. Much needed rain fell on Mississippi last week, with the northern half of the state experiencing the most rainy days. However, the boon may have come too late for some fields and insect pressure is increasing. Irrigation systems are still in use, despite the rain, and reports indicated that harvest may come early this year. Soil moisture was rated 19 percent very short, 26 percent short, 48 percent adequate, and 7 percent surplus.

Crop progress for week ending July 18, 2010

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, silked	100	99	100	100
Corn, dough	91	85	90	87
Corn, dent	66	54	58	54
Corn, mature	6	--	0	3
Corn silage, harvested	25	21	27	29
Cotton, squaring	98	96	97	98
Cotton, setting bolls	79	67	55	63
Hay-Warm Season, harvested	55	50	67	61
Peanuts, pegging	90	69	95	91
Rice, headed	52	38	19	25
Sorghum, heading	94	65	77	88
Sorghum, coloring	26	14	14	23
Soybeans, blooming	92	87	90	95
Soybeans, setting pods	77	68	70	76
Soybeans, turning color	1	--	1	3
Sweet Potatoes	100	100	100	98
Watermelons, harvested	85	78	90	82

Crop condition for week ending July 18, 2010

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn	2	15	32	37	14
Cotton	2	8	28	48	14
Hay	4	16	38	40	2
Livestock	1	4	30	57	8
Pasture	6	17	33	38	6
Peanuts	0	0	25	75	0
Rice	0	4	15	51	30
Sorghum	3	5	42	47	3
Soybeans	4	10	27	40	19
Sweet Potatoes	0	23	24	45	8
Watermelons	0	6	14	75	5

## Comments

“Most of the county received some showers, and insects problems are increasing.”

— Don Respass, Coahoma

“Fall armyworm populations in some soybean and corn fields reached treatment thresholds. Tarnished plant bugs have reached thresholds in some cotton fields.”

— Jay Phelps, Pontotoc

“Most of this area has now received good rainfall amounts, ranging from one and a half to as much as three inches. Unfortunately, some low lying areas have experienced flooding. This rain has arrived at a critical time for all our crops, even though some yield loss has already been sustained, especially in corn.”

— Ernest Flint, Attala

“Our Delta area continues to be dry, and rains are still missing around Tchula.”

— Betsy K Padgett, Holmes

“Weekend showers helped to revitalize our surroundings, and everything seemed to look greener. Some hay got wet, but that is to be expected this time of year. Armyworms have hit us pretty hard within the past few weeks.”

— Houston Therrell, Rankin

“A much needed rain was received on most parts of the county over the weekend. Armyworms in hay fields and pastures continue to be a problem.”

— Shelby Bearden, Copiah

“Non-irrigated crops will not yield much this season. Conditions are still very dry with occasional secluded showers. Irrigated crops look promising in spite of the dry conditions. Isolated insect problems have been reported, but situations are manageable.”

— Charlie Bush, Bolivar

“Rained on some farms over the weekend, but some parts of the county are still very dry.”  
— Don Respass, Quitman

“Insect pressure is still light to moderate in most areas. Early MG IV Soybeans are getting very close to maturity, especially in non-irrigated fields. Some areas got badly needed rainfall but need more in some areas.”  
— Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie

“Most of the county received much needed rainfall last week. Rainfall totals ranged from half an inch to two inches across the county.”  
— Anthony Bland, Tunica

“Some areas received good pop-up rain showers. A few corn fields have reached maturity, but for the most part, growers with irrigation systems continue to steadily pump water on all crops.”  
— Jerry Singleton, Leflore

“The crops are maturing fast, and rain needed on late crops.”  
— Lester Stephens, Washington

“We received a good rain Friday and a little on Saturday.”  
— Juli Hughes, Choctaw

“The corn crop is maturing very fast and soybeans are setting pods very rapidly as well. The majority of the county could use a good rain as many fields are beginning to get very dry.”  
— Reid Nevins, Clay

“Some rain predicted for this weekend; we will keep our fingers crossed. We are getting to the critical point.”  
— Bill Maily, Hinds

“Showers on Friday were a great help.”  
— Patty Swearingen, Lauderdale

Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending July 18, 2010

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation			
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks
<b>Upper Delta</b>									
Clarksdale	96	72	83	82	1	0.45	-0.50	3	1.98
Cleveland	99	73	86	83	3	0.04	-0.90	2	0.89
Lambert 1W	99	74	86			1.00	0.18	2	1.39
Tunica 2N	94	73	84	82	2	0.80	-0.06	4	0.80
Extreme/Average	99	72	85	82	3	0.57	-0.38	3	1.27
<b>North-Central</b>									
Batesville 2SW	95	73	83	80	3	0.88	-0.08	3	2.46
Hickory Flat	94	71	82	79	3	3.82	2.77	6	5.82
Holly Springs 4N	95	70	82	79	3	3.95	2.90	4	4.72
Independence	94	72	82	80	2	3.63	2.74	5	3.87
Oxford	96	71	83	80	3	2.05	1.14	3	3.16
Water Valley	96	71	83	80	3	3.15	2.13	3	4.75
Extreme/Average	96	70	82	81	1	2.91	1.93	4	4.13
<b>Northeast</b>									
Booneville	94	71	81	80	1	3.02	2.08	6	3.76
Corinth 7SW	94	72	82	82		3.36	2.37	4	5.89
Iuka	93	70	80	77	3	6.22	5.17	3	9.29
Pontotoc Exp	95	72	83	81	2	1.50	0.44	4	2.95
Verona	96	71	84	81	3	3.54	2.76	5	4.68
Extreme/Average	96	70	82	80	2	3.53	2.55	4	5.31
<b>Lower Delta</b>									
Belzoni	98	73	83	82	1	0.00	-1.24	0	4.56
Greenville	98	74	85	83	2	0.23	-0.71	2	1.27
Moorhead	98	73	85	82	3	0.19	-0.95	3	1.93
Rolling Fork	99	72	85	82	3	3.30	2.36	2	4.34
Extreme/Average	99	72	84	83	1	0.93	-0.10	2	3.61
<b>Central</b>									
Canton 4N	100	70	84	82	2	0.91	0.05	2	2.14
Forest 3S	97	69	83	80	3	1.03	-0.30	2	4.26
Kosciusko	96	72	83	81	2	2.29	0.97	2	7.07
Winona 5E	96	70	83	78	5	0.34	-0.71	2	2.40
Extreme/Average	100	69	83	81	2	1.14	0.09	2	3.97
<b>East-Central</b>									
Aberdeen	96	72	85	80	5	2.26	1.35	3	3.72
Columbus	99	73	85	82	3	0.11	-0.87	1	1.43
Macon	97	72	83	81	2	0.68	-0.37	2	2.03
State University	99	74	85	81	4	2.21	1.19	1	2.87
Extreme/Average	99	72	85	81	4	1.32	0.27	2	2.51
<b>Southwest</b>									
Brookhaven City	99	71	84	80	4	0.00	-1.05	0	2.71
Crystal Springs	99	72	85	82	3	0.85	-0.14	2	3.78
Natchez	98	74	85	82	3	0.40	-0.51	1	3.35
Port Gibson 1NE	98	73	84	80	4	0.30	-0.67	1	3.25
Vicksburg	98	73	85			0.45	0.00	1	3.14
Extreme/Average	99	71	84	81	3	0.40	-0.65	1	3.38
<b>South-Central</b>									
Collins	99	73	85	81	4	0.00	-1.12	0	0.40
Columbia	98	73	85	82	3	0.12	-1.16	1	5.21
Tylertown 5ESE	97	70	84	81	3	0.05	-1.35	1	3.34
Raleigh 6N	96	69	82			0.30	0.00	2	3.72
Extreme/Average	99	69	84	81	3	0.12	-1.09	1	3.11
<b>Southeast</b>									
Hattiesburg	96	73	84	82	2	0.44	-0.88	1	4.51
Laurel	99	73	85	81	4	0.35	-0.93	2	0.90
Newton Exp	100	70	84	80	4	2.23	1.11	3	3.50
Waynesboro 2W	101	75	87	80	7	1.41	0.17	2	3.04
Extreme/Average	101	70	85	81	4	1.11	-0.15	2	2.99
<b>State</b>	101	69	84	81	3	1.28	0.21	2	3.40

DFN = Departure from Normal.